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**Welcome  
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**Bowling Green  
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#### BOWLING GREEN AREA PROFILE

Bowling Green is the county seat of Wood County and the home of Bowling Green State University. It is a beautiful residential city of shady streets and pleasant homes and is surrounded by some of the nation's richest farm land. It has an estimated population of approximately 26,000.

The history of Bowling Green, Ohio dates back to the year 1812 when General William Hull and his army stopped on their way to Detroit, Michigan. The first (village) land entry within the corporation limits was made by Elisha H. Martindale and 120 acres purchased. The first cabin built here was a post office with Henry Walker as postmaster. Mr. Walker named the village Bowling Green after his favorite Kentucky village of Bowling Green, Kentucky. Bowling Green, Ohio was incorporated in 1855.

Bowling Green is accessible to all parts of the nation via highway, rail and air and to all world markets through the Port of Toledo. Interstate north-south Route 75 forms a direct link with the southern United States and Canada. US 6 is the primary east-west connection with the lower Great Lakes region. Bowling Green is served by Conrail and a 128 acre airport with charter service to any point in the United States and Canada.

Bowling Green is a community on the grow and this is most evident in the development of its business, industry and agriculture. Our downtown district underwent a significant change in 1974. Merchants and landlords worked with builders and financial institutions in renovating almost every shop downtown. Stores were given new facades, trees were planted to line Main Street and off-street parking was developed. Our business district is conveniently centralized and supplemented by shopping areas on the north, south and east edges of town.

Industry in Bowling Green produced a variety of goods ranging from vacuum cleaners to snack foods, and from precision tools to jewelry. The Wall Street Journal has a regional plant located in the northern edge of town.

Wood County ranks first in Ohio in cash receipts from wheat and corn and second from soybeans, sixth from cattle, and fourth in major agricultural commodities.

A wealth of recreational opportunity is available in Bowling Green and surrounding area. Most recreational activities are concentrated in the wooded 65-acre Bowling Green City Park. Bicycle routes, swimming pool, wading pool and a nine hole golf course are just some of the sports which this park can accommodate. City-owned Camp Wintergarden and Carter Park are heavily wooded areas for hiking and picnicking.

In August our town hosts the Wood County Fair which combines the sights and sounds of farm life with the magic of a carnival. National tractor-pulling contests are also held at the fairgrounds in August which attract both spectators and participants from all over the country.

Bowling Green has the facilities, the people, and the attitude to make your visit an experience you'll want to repeat.



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**The Academy is the common meeting ground of the scientific activities of the State.**

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## **OBJECTIVES & MEMBERSHIP**

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The Ohio Academy of Science is a nonprofit *membership organization* founded in 1891 to stimulate interest in the sciences, to promote research, to improve instruction in the sciences, to disseminate scientific knowledge and to recognize high scientific achievements.

The Academy's legislative body is a council of officers, committee chairmen and technical section representatives. The Executive Committee administers Academy affairs through a professional staff. Members enroll in technical sections of their choice. Sections are managed by officers who arrange annual meeting programs and other activities. Members have voting privileges in their section and may attend any program sessions.

**Anyone interested in science may join.** Individual members are employed by research laboratories, universities, colleges, governmental agencies, technical institutes, high schools, elementary schools, businesses, industries, trade and professional associations, museums, arboreta and nature centers in Ohio, other states and foreign countries. Members who have made significant contributions to science may be elected Fellows.

Additional annual support comes from corporate and institution members and The Friends of The Ohio Academy of Science. Special projects are supported by grants and gifts from individuals, corporations, foundations, state and federal government and service organizations.

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# ACTIVITIES

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**The Annual Meeting**, held on a different university campus each year, is a smorgasbord of scientific delights ranging from the presentation of over 250 papers and addresses, to a banquet, business meeting, field trips and exhibits.

**The Junior Academy Program** is maintained to discover interest and ability in science among high school students through the progressive development of science projects at local, district and state science days. The Junior Academy **Section** gives high school students full membership privileges in the Academy.

**Krecker Awards**, financially supported by Battelle Memorial Institute since 1962, annually recognize quality science education programs in high schools.

**Acker Outstanding Teacher Awards**, supported by the Jerry Acker Memorial Fund, annually recognize the work of Ohio's finest science and math teachers.

**The Ohio Science, Engineering and Technology Program** helps state government officials use science and technology resources in public policymaking.

**The Ohio Science Day Alumni Club** unites former science day participants for the support and development of the Academy.

**National Leadership** comes by participation in the American Association for the Advancement of Science, National Association of Academies of Science and the American Junior Academy of Science.

**International Activities** include publishing, international symposia, scholarly exchanges and support of the International Council of Mid Ohio.

**Other Activities** include history of science meetings and ecology symposia. Committees are assigned to provide research grants to students, prepare an Ohio Flora, develop publications, and work in other areas of current interest to the membership.

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# PUBLICATIONS

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Members receive *The Ohio Journal of Science*, a multidisciplinary technical publication issued 4 times a year, plus an April Annual Meeting Program Abstracts issue. The *Journal* is sent to subscribers in nearly all states and in nearly sixty foreign countries. It is abstracted and indexed by *Current Contents*, *Chemical Abstracts* and *Biological Abstracts*.

**Other publications** include the OAS NEWS for science education, the OASIS newsletter, environmental guides, *Technical Writing Style Guide*, *Proposal Guide*, Ohio Bird List, special papers, and *Ohio's Natural Heritage* book.

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